



**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF STATE POLICE**

**Troop E Montville  
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**Connecticut State Police  
News Release**

**DPS-05-001793    Serious Injury Industrial Accident (State Pier New London)  
01/11/05 1452 Hrs.       Fork-lift vs. Pedestrian**

**Op#1:        Murphy, Michael, J. age 50,  
              333 Vauxhall St. New London, CT., 06320  
Veh#1:       Hyster-Lift Truck- Fork Lift Model SBOXL**

**Pedestrian: Murphy, Robert, W., age 60  
              131 Sharp Hill Rd  
              Montville, CT., 06382**

Above date, approximate time, Troop "E" was notified by New London Police of a reported industrial accident with serious injuries occurring at State Pier in New London. Tpr. Ben Dodge #894 and Tfc. Vic Lenda #308 dispatched to the scene. Sgt. Larry Pagan #143 scene supervisor. New London PD, New London FD and Ambulance on scene, and requested Life Star.

Investigation indicates that Op.#1 was taking bundles of 2x6 lumber off of a railway car by use of a fork-lift and placing the bundles of lumber in stacks on a concrete loading area adjacent to the railway car. The operator of the forklift was being assisted by a pedestrian. Op.#1 and the pedestrian are employees of Logistec based out of New Haven CT and operating on State Pier. Op.#1 backed up the fork lift and struck the pedestrian. The pedestrian was transported by Life Star Helicopter to WW Backus Hospital in Norwich with serious injuries. CSP State Fire Marshall's Office on scene assisting. OSHA on scene. Op.#1 and pedestrian are related. Incident is under investigation.